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September 27, 1988

Mr. Lance Jackson Interstate Brick 1075 North 400 East Nephi, Utah 84648

Dear Lance:

Re: Reclamation of Big Cottonwood Mine, M/035/003, Salt Lake County, Utah

On September 8, 1988, you met on site with Wayne Hedberg and Scott Johnson, of my staff, to discuss reclamation of the Big Cottonwood Mine. During this inspection, you expressed several concerns over the liability of the 1984 earth slide. We are not in a position to clarify these concerns of liability; however, we will require you to perform reclamation of your mine site.

Three of the reclamation options you discussed with my staff are:

Smooth out old clay piles, revegetate, and leave existing asphalt pad for 1. recreational use of Canyon Cove subdivision (i.e. tennis courts);

2. Transfer reclamation responsibilities to Questar, with the intent of

clearing the land for residential development;

Smooth out old clay piles, break up and haul away asphalt pad, and 3. revegetate.

You will probably need the approval of Salt Lake County to convert the site into a park. If you choose to transfer the operation to the development company, you will need to submit the proper forms to this office. Regardless of your plans, we need a firm reclamation commitment no later than October 31, 1988.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Administrator

Mineral Resource and **Reclamation Program** 

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cc: Wayne Hedberg Scott Johnson

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